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Prior Application:

Art Unit:

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Examiner:

J. Doan

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This is a Request for filing a Divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) of pending prior application

Serial No. 09/509,953, filed on June 7, 2000, entitled OPTICAL CONNECTOR FERRULE, MOLD

THEREFOR, METHOD OF MANUFACTURING OPTICAL CONNECTOR FERRULE, AND METHOD

OF INSPECTING OPTICAL CONNECTOR FERRULE, by the following named inventors: Wataru

SAKURAI, Hiroshi KATSURA, Toshiaki KAKII, Masahiro SHIBATA.

- I hereby state that the enclosed application contains no new matter.
 Oath or Declaration
 - a. Newly executed (original or copy)
 b. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
 - i. Deletion of inventor(s)
 Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37
 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
- 3. Incorporation By Reference (useable if Box 2b is checked)

 The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 2b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
- 4. Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
- 5. An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO1449 Form are submitted herewith.
- 6. Cancel claims 1-14.



7. The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended at 4 and 6 above:

| | NO. OF CLAIMS | | EXTRA CLAIMS | RATE | AMOUNT |
|--|------------------|-----|-----------------|-----------|----------|
| Total Claims | 12 | -20 | 0 | \$18.00 = | \$0.00 |
| Independent Claims | 5 | -3 | 2 | \$80.00 = | \$160.00 |
| Basic Application Fee | | | | | \$710.00 |
| If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$0.00 | | | | | \$0.00 |
| Total Application Fee | | | | | \$870.00 |
| Subtract ½ if small entity | | | | | \$0.00 |
| TOTAL APPLICATION FEE DUE | | | | | \$870.00 |
| AMOUNT TO BE CHARGED TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 500417 | | | | | \$870.00 |

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| 7a. 🗌 | Enclosed is a Verified Statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 a | and 37 CFR 1.27. | | |
| 7b. 🗌 | A verified Statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR prior application and such status is still proper and desired. | 1.27 was filed in | | |
| 8a. 🛚 | PLEASE CHARGE DEPOSIT ACCOUNT 500417 in the amount of \$870.00 | | | |
| 8b. 🛚 | The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 required, including any extension of time fees to maintain the pendency of the parer No. <u>09/509,953</u> or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <u>500417</u> . | | al | |
| 9. | Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: | | | |
| | This application is a <u>Divisional</u> of Application Serial No. <u>09/509,953</u> filed <u>June 7,371</u> of International Patent Application No. <u>PCT/JP99/04279</u> filed <u>August 6, 1999</u> . | | | |
| 10. | Priority of Application Serial No. <u>225009/1998</u> , filed on <u>August 7, 1998</u> in <u>Japan</u> , is USC 119. | s claimed under 35 | 5 | |
| 11. 🛛 | The prior application is assigned of record to | | | |
| Sumitomo Electric Industries, Ltd. Osaka, Japan | | | | |
| 12. 🛛 | The power of attorney in the prior application is to: | | | |
| McDermott, Will & Emery | | | | |
| 13. 🔲 | Also enclosed: | | | |

14. A petition, fee and response has been filed to extend the term in the pending prior application until.

Address all future communications to: (May only be completed by applicant, or attorney or agent of record)

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